

DENNIS PATRICIA DIAZ
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DENNIS PATRICIA DIAZ

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O UST INC., 6 HIGH RIDGE
 PARK, BLDG. A**

(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06905

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UST INC [UST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
01/06/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/06/2009 | | D | (1) 16,092 \$ 69.5 | 0 | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 40.07 | 01/06/2009 | | D | 1,500 | 11/08/2002 05/07/2012 | Common Stock | 1,500 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 53.075 | 01/06/2009 | | D | 1,285 | 08/16/2005 02/15/2015 | Common Stock | 1,285 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DENNIS PATRICIA DIAZ C/O UST INC. 6 HIGH RIDGE PARK, BLDG. A STAMFORD, CT 06905 | | X | | |

Signatures

Lorna R. Simms, by Power of Attorney
 01/08/2009
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes a total of 888 shares acquired through the UST Dividend Reinvestment Plan and 666 Phantom shares resulting from dividend reinvestment under a deferred compensation plan as of this date.
- (2) The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$40.07 per share.
- (3) The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$53.075 per share.

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